

BARNSTAPLE AND BIDEFORD PORT HEALTH
AUTHORITY
REPORT OF PORT MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR 1971

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to report :

SECTION 1 — STAFF
TABLE A

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other Appointments held
C. J. Carey	Medical Officer	April 1964	M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.	
H. N. Johns	Port Health Inspector	April 1964		

Address and Tel. No. of M.O.H.: Health Centre, Northam. Bideford 4994.

SECTION II — AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE
DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR.
TABLE B

Ships from	No.	Net Reg. Tonnage	Number inspected		No. of ships reported as having, or having had during the voyage. infectious disease on board
			by M.O.H.	by San. Insp.	
Foreign Ports	48	14,762	7	48	Nil
Coastwise	812	214,249	14	75	Nil
Total	860	229,011	21	123	Nil

SECTION III — CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND
TRADE DURING THE YEAR.

TABLE C

Passenger Traffic: None from Foreign, but ships of the Campbell Steamer's Fleet made four trips from Ilfracombe to Bideford and return during the summer, carrying passengers, some of them landing and others returning, but numbers are not known.

Cargo Traffic. Principal Imports : Coal, Fertiliser, Gravel, Oil, Salt and Timber.

Principal Exports : Clay, Timber and Newly Constructed Vessels.

Principal Ports from which vessels arrived :

Foreign : Alderney, Amsterdam, Arklow, Ballina, Bilbao, Copenhagen, Cork, Drogheda, Dublin, Dunmore East, Glandore, Hamina, Kinsale, Kotka, Le Legue, Lesconils, Limerick, Nantes, Nordenham, Oskarshamn, Pasajes, Pontrieux, Valko and Waterford.

Coastwise : Ilfracombe, Bridgwater, Bristol, Avonmouth, Sharpness, Newport, Cardiff, Barry, Port Talbot, Neath, Swansea, Milford Haven, Stanlow, Manchester, Liverpool, Preston, Whitehaven, Ayr, Blyth, Hull, Goole, Isle of Grain, Plymouth, Par, Charlestown, Penryn, Penzance, Hayle, Padstow, Kilroot and Londonderry.

SECTION IV — INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC.

Number and tonnage using the district and places served by the traffic : Nil.

SECTION V — WATER SUPPLY.

No change.

SECTION VI — PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATION 1970.

No change.

SECTION VII — SMALLPOX.

(1) Name of Isolation Hospital to which smallpox cases are sent from the district : Kingsley Hospital, Bideford.

(2) Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance, giving the name of the Authority : Ambulance held by hospital ; vaccinal state 100%.

(3) Name(s) of smallpox consultant(s) available : Dr. A. J. Daly, Exeter.

(4) Facilities for laboratory diagnosis of smallpox : County Laboratory, Exeter.

SECTION VIII — VENEREAL DISEASE.

No change.

SECTION IX — CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASE ON SHIPS.

TABLE D

Category	Disease	No. of cases during the year		No. of ships concerned
		Passengers	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports	—	—	—	—
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival	—	—	—	—

Measures taken on the arrival by ship of (a) any case of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever included in Table D.

Patients would be removed to Kingsley Hospital, Bideford, and ship moved to Appledore Pool until Sanitary measures prescribed by Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1952 have been carried out.

(b) Any suspected case of any such disease.

As above.

SECTION X — OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS.

None.

SECTION XI — MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED OF PLAGUE.

None.

SECTION XII — MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS.

(1) Procedure for inspection of ships for rats : All ships inspected by Port Health Inspector at Appledore Pool.

(2) Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents, with special reference to rodent plague including the number of rodents sent for examination during the year : County Laboratory, Exeter ; Nil.

TABLE E

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports

<i>Category</i>	<i>No.</i>
Black rats	Nil
Brown rats	Nil
Species not known ...	Nil
Sent for examination ...	Nil
Infected with plague ...	Nil

TABLE F

Deratting certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during year for ships from foreign ports : Nil.

Number of Deratting Certificates issued : 3.

SECTION XIII — INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES.

TABLE G

Inspection and Notices

Nature and number of inspections	Notices served		Results of Serving Notices
	Statutory Notices	Other Notices	
123	Nil	Nil	—

SECTION XIV — PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS 1934 AND 1948.

No change.

SECTION XV — MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS (APPLICABLE ONLY TO PORTS APPROVED FOR THE LANDING OF ALIENS).

No change.

SECTION XVI — MISCELLANEOUS.

No change.